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APPARATUS
By: Shinya MATSUDA, Takashi MATSUO, Kentaro IIDA, and
Kazuhiro SHIBATANI
Attorney Docket: 15162/04130

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing are the following papers relating to
METHOD FOR CONNECTING SPLIT IMAGES AND IMAGE SHOOTING APPARATUS,
Shinya MATSUDA, Takashi MATSUO, Kentaro IIDA, and Kazuhiro
SHIBATANI, inventors:

- (1) Specification (31 pages, including 11 claims and an
abstract);
- (2) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (9 pages);
- (3) Formal Drawings (16 sheets);

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- (4) Transmittal letter (1 page) with PrintEFS Patent Application Bibliographic Data (2 pages);
- (5) Transmittal letter (1 page) with Certified Copy of Priority Document (42 pages);
- (6) Information Disclosure Statement (3 pages) with attached PTO-1449 form (1 page) and copies of the cited references (7 references); and
- (7) Assignment (2 pages) of the invention to MINOLTA CO., LTD., with attached Recordation Form Cover Sheet (1 page) (in duplicate).

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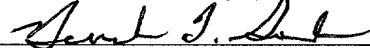
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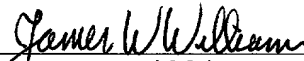
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